

10-357 Office of the Secretary

The mission of the Office of the Secretary is to provide a comprehensive management support system to the offices of the Department of Social Services and to other consumers of its services, and to provide licensing and rate setting services for mandated providers.

The goals of the Office of the Secretary are:

1. To provide overall direction and administrative support to the Department of Social Services (DSS).
2. To conduct a licensing program for DSS that will give a measure of protection to the children and adults of this state who are in care on a regular or consistent basis in those facilities that are required to be licensed by DSS.
3. To establish fair per diem rate for 24-hour substitute care providers in programs such as residential treatment facilities, independent and transitional living programs, private foster care providers and therapeutic family care providers.

The Office of the Secretary consists of a single program, Executive and Administrative Support. The former Licensing and Rate Setting Program, Program B, has been combined into the Executive and Administrative Support Program, pursuant to approval granted by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget in October of 1998.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$6,083,849	\$6,797,651	\$6,797,651	\$6,720,789	\$6,723,888	(\$73,763)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	20,986,630	23,395,430	23,395,430	24,574,356	23,672,587	277,157
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	355,082	355,082	355,082	355,082	518,432	163,350
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$27,425,561	\$30,548,163	\$30,548,163	\$31,650,227	\$30,914,907	\$366,744
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Executive and Administrative Support	\$27,425,561	\$30,548,163	\$30,548,163	\$31,650,227	\$30,914,907	\$366,744
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$27,425,561	\$30,548,163	\$30,548,163	\$31,650,227	\$30,914,907	\$366,744
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	347	343	343	343	334	(9)
Unclassified	3	3	3	3	3	0
TOTAL	350	346	346	346	337	(9)

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$808,583 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

This agency does not have any long-term debt for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

State General Fund (Direct)	\$198,623
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	674,205
Total	\$872,828